

South Dakota MILK PRODUCTION

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OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2000 MILK PRODUCTION UP

SIOUX FALLS, January 18, 2000 -- The October-December quarterly milk production for South Dakota totaled 385 million pounds, 5.2 percent above last year, according to USDA's South Dakota Ag Statistics Service.

The average number of milk cows during the quarter, at 102,000, remained unchanged from the previous eight quarters. Higher production per cow, with unchanged number of cows, increased production this quarter.

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